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Amendment - 1

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Sir:

In response to the Office action having a mailing date of 3/13/2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows.

Cancel claims 1-22 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Add the following new claims:

23. (new) An absorbent article, comprising

a liquid pervious cover;

an absorbent core; and

an intake intensifier pledget located on a central portion of the absorbent core;

wherein

the cover includes a hydroentangled, hydroapertured spun-lace material;

the pledget includes a Thru-Air Bonded Carded Web material; and

the Thru-Air Bonded Carded Web material has a basis weight of between about 15 g/m2 and about 70 g/m^2 .

- (new) The absorbent article of claim 23, wherein the Thru-Air Bonded Carded Web material 24. provides a low densified, lofty, Thru-Air Bonded Carded Web.
- 25 (new) The absorbent article of claim 23, wherein the Thru-Air Bonded Carded Web material comprises a staple fiber having a denier of between about 3 and about 10.

